

Jacksonville Daily Journal

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FIXING THE RESPONSIBILITY

FURTHER INQUIRY INTO THE THEATRE FIRE

Preparation Complete for a Most Searching Inquiry—Evidence Secured at the Hearing Yesterday.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—The coroner's inquest over the remains of the Iroquois theatre victims began today. The coroner's official list of dead for use in the inquest contains 585 names. Previous police reports indicating 591 dead are declared to be inaccurate, due to shifting of bodies from one morgue to another.

Preparations are complete for the most searching inquiry into the causes. Coroner Traeger presided over the investigation with State's Attorney Deneen or one of his assistants in constant attendance, as the coroner's legal representative. A score of lawyers, representing private interests and numerous officials of the fire and police departments are taking part in the inquiry.

It is estimated it will require six days for the jury to hear the 200 witnesses. The arrest of Wm. J. Maher to day was considered important by the coroner. He was employed by a sub-contractor of the Fuller Construction company. According to police the men say they nailed down the ventilators on the roof of the theatre over the stage and examination will show the skylight frames had never been removed. In other words, the safety vents for fire on the stage were never operated even experimentally.

According to police Maher to day said he had charge of the metal constructors of the stage ventilators. The ventilators were to have been operated by a lever from this stage, so they could be thrown open at a moment's notice, but according to Maher the lever never fitted. Maher says he went to the theatre the day after the fire and looked to see if the lever had been attached, but could find no trace of the lever.

The first witness was John C. Galvin, a painting contractor. He testified on the afternoon of the fire while purchasing a ticket for the following evening the outside entrance doors were blown open as though by a blast of hot air. Looking into the foyer he saw people running towards the entrance. He rushed to the lobby and endeavored to open the west door, that being the nearest. It was locked on the inside and he could do nothing with it. Joseph H. Bruce testified he was in the second gallery when the fire broke out. He saw the curtain come down within fifteen feet of the stage on the north and five feet on the south end. He said he was positive none of the exits on the north side of the theatre were open, but declared all passages of the theatre were well lighted.

The coroner and chief of police received information this afternoon of persons breaking locks on the exits of the Iroquois theatre in an effort to destroy evidence bearing on the fire. Orders were immediately given to allow no person unaccompanied by a policeman to go about the theatre.

ANOTHER ARREST.

John Schmidt, a stage hand of the Iroquois theatre, was arrested to day and locked up in default of \$5,000 bonds to await hearing on charge of manslaughter.

The chief witnesses of the day were Eddie Foy, of the "Mr. Bluebird" company, and George W. Stetson, representative of the company which manufactured the asbestos curtain. Foy's evidence did not differ greatly from statements which have been published heretofore concerning his actions on the day of the fire.

Stetson and Coroner Traeger became involved in a lengthy discussion as to the merits of asbestos curtains, during which Stetson admitted asbestos curtains if subjected to extremely high heat would "lose their life" and crumble. When shown a portion of the Iroquois curtain he declared it had evidently been subjected to a very high temperature, but that he could not say as to whether it had endured sufficiently great heat to cause it to crumble. He declared that in his opinion a greater portion of the asbestos curtain in the Iroquois theatre was still in good condition and expressed himself as anxious to make experiments to prove the

One of the important witnesses was Miss Ella M. Churcher, who, after telling of the escape of herself, mother and nephew, made the statement that she was positive the curtain lowered was not the asbestos curtain, but the curtain which had been lowered after the first act. She remembered distinctly, she said, that this curtain had painted upon it an autumn landscape scene. This curtain and no other, she insisted, was the one that was lowered after the fire started.

Frank Hausman and Charles Dexter occupied seats together. They saw stage hands try to put out the fire and seeing them fail started out. They found the iron door of an exit locked and could not open it. They, however, succeeded in forcing open the doors of another exit and they rescued a number of children.

Dr. Joseph Hughes testified that he was on the first floor and that the sides of the theatre back of the seats were crowded by people standing up.

The inquest will be resumed tomorrow. The bodies of two women and a child

LISTEN TO SCHWAB

Ex-President of Steel Corporation Testifies in Hearing for Permanent Receivership

New York, Jan. 6.—Charles M. Schwab, ex-president of the United States steel corporation, took the stand to day in the hearing to make permanent the receivership over the United States Shipbuilding company, to tell of his connection with the sale of the Bethlehem Steel company to the shipyards concern.

Schwab stated he bought the Bethlehem property shortly after the sale of the Carnegie properties to the steel corporation, but declined to make any statements regarding alleged inflation of value of the Bethlehem plant. Schwab said since the formation of the steel corporation he had sold a considerable amount of securities but believed he was the largest holder of steel stock. He testified as to the extent of his holdings of shipbuilding stock and produced a list of men who aided him in securing the cash whereby Morgan & company were paid for the shipbuilding company. Counsel agreed to keep this list from publication.

DRIGGS FOUND GUILTY.

New York, Jan. 7.—Former Congressman Driggs was to day found guilty of accepting money to procure a contract between a private company and the government while serving as member of congress. The jury recommended mercy. Judge Thomas approved the recommendation and expressed the opinion Driggs violated the statute unwittingly and was only guilty in a technical sense. The day for sentence has not yet been decided.

STRUCK BY A TRAIN.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—A street car on the Center avenue electric line was struck this evening by a train on the Pennsylvania railroad at Fifty-ninth street. No one was fatally hurt. Eleven people were taken to their homes by police ambulances and as many more were slightly cut by flying glass. Fire was started by an overturned stove and some of the passengers turned beneath the debris were for a time in danger of burning. Slippery rails is given as the cause of the accident.

QUARRELLED OVER WAGES.

Ottawa, Ill., Jan. 7.—William J. Rohrer, son of former State Representative Louis Rohrer, shot and killed Charles Thomas yesterday. The tragedy occurred on Rohrer's farm near Somanauk, fifteen miles north of this city. It is said they quarrelled over a balance of wages which Thomas claimed Rohrer owed him. Thomas secured a rifle, but before he could shoot Rohrer pulled a shotgun and fired. Rohrer was arrested.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Minneapolis, Jan. 7.—H. A. Garfield, of Hurley, Wis., this afternoon shot and killed Miss Pearl Guyot, of Cresco, Iowa, and immediately shot and fatally wounded himself. It is alleged the couple had been living together here as man and wife and that this afternoon they had a quarrel which culminated in the murder and suicide.

ANOTHER WRECK.

Tuolumac, N. M., Jan. 6.—The Golden State limited on the Rock Island was derailed at Revaults this morning. No one was killed. The train was behind time and running at the rate of sixty miles an hour swung around a curve and struck several cars of a freight train which had taken a siding but which projected into the main track.

SEEKING SAFETY.

Guadalajara, Mexico, Jan. 6.—Violent eruptions of Mount Colima volcano have caused many inhabitants of the country immediately adjacent to the mountain to leave homes and seek safety from ashes and lava. Severe earthquake shocks were felt in the region.

HARRIMAN ELECTED PRESIDENT.

New York, Jan. 6.—E. H. Harriman to day was elected president of the Union Pacific railroad.

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MORGAN TALKS ON PANAMA

REPLIES TO SPEECH OF SENATOR LODGE

Also Criticized the President and Attitude of Government in Connection With New Republic—Capital Notes.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Morgan occupied the time of the senate to day in reply to the speech of Lodge delivered last Tuesday. Morgan again criticized the president and the attitude of this government in connection with the Panama republic. He introduced numerous newspaper extracts to bear out his contention that the revolution was assisted by officers and citizens of the United States. Morgan said that if the United States should withdraw from the isthmus Colombia would quickly drive out the few revolutionists and their supporters.

HOUSE.

The house was in session twelve minutes to day. Hemingway, chairman of the committee on appropriations, obtained unanimous consent that one hour be devoted to the opening of to morrow's session to consideration of the bill amending the act appropriating \$500,000 for eradication of foot and mouth disease among cattle so as to make \$250,000 of that amount available to meet the emergency caused by the Mexican hog weevil. The bill was favorably reported to day.

CAPITAL NOTES.

The state department will allow United States Minister Powell and commanders of United States warships in Dominican waters to determine the sufficiency of the proposed blockade of all ports of the country except San Domingo, the capital. It is improbable any trifling attempt at blockade will be recognized by the naval authorities and allowed to interfere with commerce.

Representative Lacey of Iowa introduced a bill to day to restore to the naval academy the three midshipmen recently dismissed for hazing. The expelled cadets are from Iowa and Wisconsin.

The senate confirmed the following nominations to day: John C. Black, Illinois; civil service commissioner; Henry D. Sayler, Pennsylvania; consul general at Coblentz, Germany; Lawrence O. Murray, Illinois; assistant secretary of commerce and labor.

Arthur Beaupre, United States minister to Bogota, arrived in Washington to day and had a conference with Acting Secretary of State Loomis. Later he had a conference with Secretary Hay. He gave it as his opinion there is little danger on the isthmus.

NOTE TO GENERAL REYES.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The note sent by Secretary Hay to General Reyes, it was learned to night, consists of thirty-seven typewritten pages, and about the same length of the communication transmitted by the Colombian minister to the state department setting out Colombia's grievances. It takes up in detail the several issues raised by Reyes and treats them fully from the American standpoint. It is expected there will be further prompt exchanges between the two governments, the basis for them already having been laid by the communication from Reyes to the state department. As far as could be learned to night Reyes has not yet made any arrangements to depart from Washington.

KILLED IN COLLISION.

New York, Jan. 6.—Three men were killed by the collision of two trains on the Brooklyn elevated road. Simultaneously with the collision fire started by coals from the locomotive and this added to the panic of the passengers, who fought desperately to escape from the wrecked cars. None of the passengers were hurt.

MASSACRE EXPECTED.

Salonica, Jan. 7.—An order has been received from Constantinople to hold the third army corps in readiness. There is great military activity in Seres. Troops are leaving Monastir for Uskub. A massacre of Christians at Monastir is expected in event of the departure of Hilmi Pasha, inspector general of the sultan's reform movement.

HEATH SUMMONED.

Salt Lake City, Jan. 6.—Summons in the case of the government against former Superintendent of Rural Delivery, Machen was served on former Postmaster General Heath to day by Marshal Heywood. Heath leaves for Washington this evening to give testimony in the case.

GENERAL GORDON ILL.

Miami, Fla., Jan. 7.—Gen. John B. Gordon is dangerously ill at his home, Biscayne, seven miles north of this city. He is suffering from inflammation of the stomach, caused by an acute attack of indigestion. His physicians have no hope of his recovery.

RESPONSIBILITY FIXED.

Des Moines, Jan. 7.—E. H. Frazer, an electrical worker, was found responsible for the fire at the state capitol. Frazer was arrested and held in the local jail. He is being held in the local jail. He is being held in the local jail.

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DEITRICH'S TRIAL

New Question Comes up During Trial of United States Senator.

Omaha, Jan. 7.—The trial of Senator Dietrich in the federal court, on indictment alleging bribery in connection with the appointment of the postmaster at Hastings, Neb., progressed rapidly to day until the point was reached where the first witness for the government was placed on the stand, when General Cowin, chief counsel for Dietrich, interposed a demurrer on the ground that Dietrich had not taken the oath and was not, therefore, United States senator when the alleged bribery occurred. This question was acknowledged by counsel for both sides to be a new one and each had prepared argument on the subject.

The court will announce an opinion to morrow. The point is a significant one and raises the question whether a member of congress is amenable to the United States government as member of congress between the time of his election and date of his qualification as member of the house to which he is elected.

KILLED BY TRAIN.

The Brother of Prof. J. W. Henninger Meets Tragic Death.

George Henninger, a prominent stock buyer of Fayette county and well known in central Illinois, was run down and instantly killed at Hazarstown, a small station four miles west of Vandalia, Wednesday night by a Vandalia train.

Mr. Henninger was 50 years old. He was a brother of Prof. J. W. Henninger, formerly of Jacksonville, now at the head of the state normal at Macomb. He was driving across the tracks and was struck by the train and cut all to pieces.

FOUND IN A PIG STY.

Carbondale, Jan. 6.—Matilda Miller, aged 46, who formerly lived at Fountain Bluff, was found in a pig sty, where she was trying to keep from freezing by lying among the hogs. She was ill and her clothing was scant. She was taken to the county poor farm. Mrs. Miller's husband, who died two years ago, left her \$1,000, but, it is said she entrusted her money to others and was victimized.

AGENT HELD UP.

Upper Alton, Jan. 6.—Five masked and armed men alighted from a freight train near the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy station to night and after the train had pulled out, they entered the station and held up Agent Clayton undall and Clarence Agreil and Rev. Mr. Gearing, friends of Gundall. About \$10 in money and a watch were secured. The robbers escaped.

KEPT THE MONEY.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—Accused of having embezzled \$11,300 from Smith, Carle & Co., stock yards commission dealers, Manley Gifford, of Monroe, Iowa, a cattle raiser, was arrested in Iowa and is in jail there. The indictment charges that the firm sent Gifford money with which to purchase cattle for shipment to Chicago and that he failed to do so.

DISALLOWED RECORD.

New York, Jan. 7.—The joint committee of the National Trotting association decided to day to disallow Lou Dillon's record of 2:35 to a high-wheel, half-leaving sulky made at Cleveland Sept. 12 last. The committee said this was done "because the mare had previously performed in faster time, which performance was on record, and precluded a slower performance being a record."

FAVOR PANAMA TREATY.

Jackson, Miss., Jan. 7.—The lower house of the Mississippi legislature passed the joint resolution adopted by the senate yesterday, instructing the Mississippi senators to vote for the Panama treaty.

INCREASE CAPITAL STOCK.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—At the annual meeting of the stockholders of Swift & Co., held here to day, it was decided to increase the capital stock of the concern from \$25,000,000 to \$35,000,000.

RETURNED A VERDICT.

Connellsville, Pa., Jan. 6.—The coroner's jury investigating the wreck of the Duquesne limited on the Baltimore & Ohio Dec. 32, returned a verdict that the wreck was unavoidable.

FOUR WERE KILLED.

Sydney, N. S. W., Jan. 7.—The British cruiser Wallerow has arrived here. Only four were killed and three injured by the explosion of the ship's boilers.

NOT A JUROR.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—The second day of the trial of the car-burn bandits ended to day without a juror having been accepted.

BETTER THAN A PLASTER.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm and bound on the affected parts is better than a plaster for a lame back and for pains in the side or chest. Pain Balm has no superior as a treatment for the rheumatism, neuralgia, muscular and other pains.

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HOPE OF PEACE IS REMOVED

RUSSIA'S REPLY TO JAPAN UNSATISFACTORY

News From Various European Capitals of Approaching War in the Far East—Attitude of United States Will Mean Much.

London, Jan. 7.—The Mail's Yokohama correspondent says, Russia's reply to Japan practically removes all hope of a peaceful settlement.

WAR RUMORS.

Peking, Jan. 7.—Gen. Yuan Shai, commander-in-chief of the Chinese army and navy, sent his foreign adviser, Charles Denby, Jr., to Peking to investigate the report as to the probability of war. Denby has reported that according to the best opinions obtainable, based on diplomatic information, war cannot be averted.

Paris, Jan. 7.—Official and diplomatic circles here claim to be without information regarding the contents of the Russian reply to Japan, but the tone is distinctly pessimistic. Diplomats are making inquiries as to the attitude of the powers in case of war, that adopted by the United States being regarded as particularly important. To the Associated Press the Japanese minister said to day:

"The attitude of the United States will mean much. She negotiated a treaty with China for the opening of three ports in Manchuria to commerce of the world. These ports have been occupied by Russia and thus her treaty rights have been violated. Japan is not guided by selfish motives, but is acting in the interest of all nations. I hope the United States will clearly understand our position and will favor us with their support."

The action of the United States in sending marines to Seoul, Korea, is regarded here as being a "significant indication of the trend of its sympathies," and it is known to be gratifying to Japan, because it establishes a precedent which Japan can follow, if necessary, in debarking a strong force on the peninsula.

Peking, Jan. 7.—Nothing has developed here concerning the nature of the Russian reply or to improve in any way the view of the situation held in official circles. It is known neither Russia nor Japan is desirous of a winter campaign and that both countries believe delay will help their preparations. The Russian government has bought all horses obtainable in Kulgan, the greatest horse market in north China.

London, Jan. 7.—The Mail's Tokio correspondent learns that Russia has made a new demand which it will be impossible for Japan to entertain. The correspondent says all powers are landing troops in Korea and that British bluejackets landed at Chemulpo are expected to go to Seoul immediately. Constant telegrams are passing between M. Pavloff, Russian minister to Korea; Baron de Rosen, Russian minister to Japan, and Viceroy Alexieff.

San Francisco, Jan. 7.—A leading insurance broker stated to day that prominent insurance companies have received cablegrams stating war is inevitable and in consequence war risks on immediate sailings have been advanced to 4 per cent and on sailings during the latter part of this month to 10 per cent.

Tokio, Jan. 7.—The attitude of Japan toward the response of Russia is still undefined. Premier Catura and members of the cabinet council decided to confer with the older statesmen before deciding on a course of procedure. It is manifest that Russia's proposals are unsatisfactory. It is believed Russia will make concessions in one direction and impose new conditions in another. The Japanese nation is deeply stirred. Public sentiment favors abandonment of negotiations, believing them to be useless, and urges a resort to arms.

Paris, Jan. 6.—A dispatch to the Patrie from Constantinople says Russia is negotiating with Turkey to permit her Black sea fleet, said to consist of twenty-six ships, to pass through the straits of Dardanelles.

St. Petersburg, Jan. 6.—The war ministry has received a dispatch from Tokio saying the Russian minister presented Russia's reply to the Japanese cabinet yesterday.

POSTPONED MEETING.

London, Jan. 6.—The expected meeting of the British cabinet on Saturday has been postponed. This is interpreted in business circles to mean amelioration of the far eastern question coupled with better reports from Paris, saying the French foreign officers received advice favorable to a peaceful settlement.

MARCHED OVERLAND.

Washington, Jan. 6.—Minister Allen at Seoul, Korea, cabled the state department to day the Russian marines landed at Chemulpo, who were refused transportation to Seoul over the Japanese railroad have reached the capital, marching overland.

Port Arthur, via Chefoo, Jan. 7.—Several warships left here at midnight for the purpose of intercepting the Japanese squadron of four ironclads which it is understood is now approaching Korea for the purpose of forcing the straits.

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STREET CAR STRIKE

Board of Arbitration Fails to Settle Trouble at Bloomington.

Bloomington, Ill., Jan. 7.—Members of the state board of arbitration returned home to day after a unsuccessful effort to settle the street car strike. The men will not sign individual agreements and the company will not submit their differences for adjustment. There seems little chance of settling the trouble.

The feeling against the Chicago strike breakers is strong and the police still ride with them on the cars. Several shots were fired at the Chicago men last night, and three cars ditched by spiking rails.

Inexperienced men have caused several collisions, though no one has been seriously hurt. Prosecutions of those who took an active part in Sunday's riot still continues.

No one is patronizing the cars that are running, and the company is losing heavily. Union men and sympathizers use hacks. Bobsleds run in opposition to cars. The company is said to be offering new men \$4 a day, and a bonus of \$100 if they remain with them three months. They are backed by the Citizens' Alliance and such strained relations between business men and unions never existed here.

MISSIONARY RALLY.

In accordance with the annual custom, the Christian church held an all day missionary rally at the church Thursday, which was helpful and inspiring and will no doubt result in renewed and increased missionary effort during the year.

The programs, both morning and evening, were comprehensive and speakers, who, from study and personal experience as workers in the various fields, were present to explain the needs and to urge assistance on the part of those who must be the means by which the Gospel shall be spread abroad.

At noon a basket dinner was served in the Sunday school room and the day was one whose influence can not be measured.

Among the prominent missionary workers who made addresses were A. McLean, president of the Foreign society; G. L. Wharton, with experience in the missionary fields of India and who returns to these fields this year, and Rev. Mr. Bentley, a missionary to China.

M. P. L. ELECTION.

The Mutual Protective league, council No. 19, held their annual election of officers Thursday night at the hall on the north side of the square and after the election a pound social was enjoyed, followed by dancing. The evening was most delightfully spent in every particular and the splendid feeling of fraternity and hearty co-operation existent among the members was evidenced by the gathering. The officers chosen were:

Past president—W. H. Anderson. President—J. F. Kendrick. Vice president—J. H. Gordley. Secretary—J. F. Kellogg. Treasurer—Leora Kellogg. Chaplain—Mrs. Hattie Glines. Usher—Miss Jean Glines. Sentinel—Frank Eads. Guard—J. R. Gottfrey. Medical examiner—Dr. H. C. Campbell.

Directors—W. H. Anderson, J. M. Sage and Ernest Tilton. Corresponding secretary—Mrs. Hattie Glines.

IOWA LEGISLATURE.

Des Moines, Jan. 7.—The report of the capitol commissioners on the condition of the house chamber ruined by the recent fire was read before the joint caucus of both houses to night. It was decided that the chamber will be repaired, and meantime the house will meet in the senate chamber and the senate in the supreme court room for the initial session. Then both houses will adjourn for one week. In temporary organization Senator J. A. Smith of Osage, is booked for president pro tem of the senate and B. F. Cummings speaker pro tem of the house. Inaugural plans will not be interfered with.

ORDERED TO SURRENDER.

Cape Haytien, Jan. 7.—Following news that a Dominican cruiser has arrived from Puerto Plata after having embargoed troops and munitions of war at Sosua, Minister Guiterre has ordered the place to surrender. He has granted twenty-four hours, after which he will attack by land and sea. American and British war vessels will oppose bombardment of this important city.

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IN SANTO DOMINGO

J. Z. Scott Tells Interesting Facts About His Recent Visit

We arrived from New York on the Red D Line steamer "Philadelphia" on the 28th of November, the steamer leaving her pier, Brooklyn, at half past twelve o'clock p. m. A five day sail brought us to San Juan, Porto Rico, arriving there at 4 p. m., and we remained over night at the "Inglaterra Hotel." We took the French railway line at 5 o'clock in the morning for Mayaguez, on western coast of the island, from which port the French steamer St. Dominique was scheduled to sail on the 5th of December.

The railway line from San Juan to Mayaguez is broken by a thirty-mile stage ride over the new government road from Camuy to Aguadilla. Arriving at Camuy about 10 a. m., we took the United States mail stage for Aguadilla. We were compelled to make the drive in time to catch the train leaving Aguadilla for Mayaguez, or else miss the French steamer and be compelled to lay over about a month, or return the way we came. We had the good fortune to meet Mr. D. E. McLeod, postoffice inspector for Porto Rico, and Mr. George W. Gibbs, internal revenue inspector for Porto Rico, who assisted us very materially in getting through on time. The postoffice inspector had a through mail put on our stage and by liberal tips to the driver, we were enabled to reach Aguadilla three minutes before the train left.

The next day we sailed from Mayaguez via the French steamer St. Dominique for Santo Domingo city, arriving there on the following morning. We immediately began preparations for the trip to Azua, 104 miles by land. We procured the services of an educated Santo Domingo Indian by the name of Baldomero Parrilla, who could speak English fluently, to act as our interpreter and guide. Procuring three horses at Santo Domingo city, we set out on the afternoon of the 8th at 3:30.

Our first stop was at San Cristobal, an inland town about twenty-three miles distant, which we reached at 7 p. m. We resumed the journey at 7 the next morning, going as far as Bani, about thirty miles distant, which we reached at 2 p. m. One of our horses going lame at Bani, we procured another, but did not resume our journey until 8 o'clock the next morning.

The ride from Bani to Azua is through a high table-land and along the beach, for the most part unsettled. We passed through two or three villages; the first Matanzas, about six miles from Bani. The next village, about twenty-five miles distant, is called Savana Buey and is noted as the place where the Haytian invaders were driven back by the Dominican soldiery, at the time the Haytians were making an attempt to invade Dominican territory. At Savana Buey, for a distance of two or three miles along the road, there is plenty of water and the only water to be obtained between there and Azua.

The sugar plantation there maintains a bakery and sort of lodging house for travelers. It is called Ocoa. We were unfortunate in passing this point without knowing where it was, hence we failed to get either food or water and were compelled to make the ride from Bani to Azua, fifty-four miles, with but a light breakfast and with no water, except what was furnished us by negro wood choppers, who allowed us to drink from their calabash. The ride from Ocoa to Azua was the most tiring of the trip. It is twenty-five miles and there is not a house or a stream of water on the way.

The road for the greater part of the distance extends along the pebbly shore of the sea and over rough projections of land where it is lined by huge cacti of many varieties. We reached Azua at 8:30 in the evening and had been compelled to go a few miles further, it would have been next to impossible, as our horses were entirely given out, and the riders in a very similar condition. A good supper and the companionship of old friends, however, soon revived the party and after a good night's sleep in the company's headquarters in Azua, we were ready to take in the oil field on the following day.

In company with Mr. Beemer, we left Azua for the oil field at 7 o'clock and went directly to the place known as Agua Hedionda, or the well that is boiling with oil and gas. I found the road from Azua to the oil field in a very excellent condition. The company had built a number of bridges and had made a number of short cuts, so that the distance is now very much shorter from Azua to the oil field and the road easily passable for all kinds of heavy hauling.

I found a house, which could be used for a tool and supply house, erected near the well, and two acres of land cleared. I found a most startling condition existing at the well. The previous accounts which I had heard of this wonderful discovery were not adequate to describe the real conditions as they exist. The oil is there and seems to be in quantities and at its constantly boiling, on account of the escaping gas, and the smell of asphalt, oil and sulphur is very strong throughout that region.

From the oil well Mr. Beemer told us about a mile further on to where he had found a plentiful supply of water. Mr. Beemer was then making

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a survey and ascertaining the distance this water would have to be piped to reach the oil well. There will be an abundance of water for all purposes and the elevation above the well is so great that it can be run through houses and a permanent supply of water economically and conveniently obtained.

On the following day, in company with E. C. Kreider, Junior, we visited a place which is known as the "New Discovery." It lies about three and a half miles northeast of Azua and about the same distance from the Agua Hedionda, or the original discovery. We found this to be a most remarkable discovery. Three pits had been dug: one to a depth of four or five feet; another to a depth of ten feet; and another at a depth of about thirty feet. All were blowing gas and contained quantities of sulphur, gypsum, limestone and a very pungent smell of oil and all the indications that are known for the existence of an extensive deposit of petroleum.

A peculiarity we noticed in this vicinity was the configuration of the surrounding country. The whole territory embraced in this concession is in a basin lying between the mountains and the sea, and it seems to have been set apart for the purpose of storing the immense deposits of oil, which appear to exist. In this particular locality there was, to my mind, a stronger indication of the presence of oil in great quantities at depth than any place I visited. There were many other places of less importance noted, but these will suffice to show the extent of the territory.

It must be remembered that it is some three and a half miles between the two points where we know oil and oil indications to exist, besides between these two points there are numerous other indications and in some places the oil is oozing from the earth.

One thing I failed to note, and that was upon arriving at Azua, we took our meals at the eating house kept by an Italian, who also has a small ice plant, from which he sold not only ice but cold water. Upon sitting down to the table on the evening of our arrival, I being thirsty, I drank a huge glass of cold water and immediately remarked that it tasted strongly of petroleum. Upon inquiry, we found that the water used in the manufacture of this ice is taken from a well of some depth in the city of Azua. Most of the water used by the inhabitants of Azua is carried in barrels on burros by boys from the river.

This was a new discovery, showing that oil extended immediately under the town of Azua, which is some three or four miles southeast of the original discovery, making the entire area between the points of discovery some nine or ten square miles.

Our examination being completed, we set out on the return trip from Azua to Santo Domingo Sunday morning at 9 o'clock. That day we rode to Bani, fifty-four miles, reaching there at 2 p. m. We rested until the next morning and then set out at 4 o'clock for Santo Domingo. We took a new route, which shortened the distance some. The new road is known as the "Route by the Sea," and we found this road somewhat better.

We passed through the village of Savana Grande, where we stopped for lunch, leaving Savana Grande about 11 o'clock we rode hard for six hours, reaching Santo Domingo exactly at 6 o'clock on the 13th of December. On the 17th, the Spanish steamer "Julia" sailed from Santo Domingo to Porto Rico ports, and we took passage upon her for San Juan, arriving there on the 19th. We then took passage via New York and Porto Rican steamship line on the



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steamer "Ponce" for New York, which was scheduled to sail on Tuesday, the 22nd of December. We again stopped at the "Inglaterra Hotel" and spent the time in visiting El Moro and the fortifications of San Cristobal.

We had the pleasure of meeting the Honorable Willis Sweet, attorney general of Porto Rico, and the Honorable Governor Hunt in the governor's palace.

The voyage home on the "Ponce" was uneventful, but pleasant. We reached New York at 9:30 Monday morning, Dec. 28, just one month from the date of our sailing on the "Philadelphia."

J. Z. Scott.

DOES WELL TO PROTEST.

Olney Republican: Governor Yates does well to protest against the rate of taxation which has been settled on by the board whose duty it is to fix the state rate. It is not high, compared to the 60 and 65 per centum that used to be made, but it does not do justice to the state administration. The rate last year was 40. The legislature increased the appropriations two millions, one million of which Governor Yates lopped off with the judicious use of the veto power. Governor Yates believes that a rate of 40 per cent would have raised ample revenue. The state board insisted on 52 per cent. The question is, how much higher would the rate have been had Governor Yates not vetoed that million dollars of appropriations?

WILL RECEIVE BIG VOTE.

Effingham Republican: The popular reception tendered Governor Yates in his recent tour of the state have demonstrated the fact that his nomination for governor would not weaken the Republican state ticket. The fact is, the governor is much stronger to day than before he began his canvass. If he secures the nomination and makes a thorough canvass of the state, he will receive a vote as large, if not larger, than the head of the national ticket.

Druggists guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, colds, coughs, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. For sale by all druggists.

FROM MR. MELTON.

Editor Journal: It seems that the reported proffer of our honorable county commissioners of a room in the court house for Matt Starr G. A. R. post headquarters has disgruntled our friend, Mr. M. J. Clerihan. Now, while no such request or "demand" as to providing a room for post headquarters by the county commissioners in the court house, has ever been made or authorized by the official action of the post; if the county commissioners, acting on the suggestion of any friend of the post, or on their own initiative, have voted to provide such room, they are to be commended for their "patriotic (without the interrogation point) motives" and we venture the assertion that if this proposition were submitted to the voters of Morgan county it would carry by an overwhelming majority. Mr. Clerihan to the contrary notwithstanding.

The G. A. R. does not claim to be better than other organizations, whom Mr. Clerihan names, but it has seemed to our national authorities befitting to recognize the great work and sacrifice of the soldiers of the civil war in awarding them some little preference, notably in the public service of the government departments. According to Mr. Clerihan's idea, this is all wrong, inasmuch as it is not conceded to the other organizations, whom he names. As far as the necessary funds to operate the post and pay its running expenses is concerned, the post treasury has always had a sufficiency. Of course the time may come when the depletion of our ranks by death will bring a change in this condition, but we are not borrowing trouble on that account.

Mr. Clerihan's tilt at the "Soldiers' Poor House, at Quincy," as he puts it, is unworthy of any serious consideration and the assertion that the inmates have "no pride of manly character" is simply bosh.

One of the best proofs of the great service rendered by the soldiers of 1861-65 is the beneficent provision made for disabled and aged veterans by the government, in the state and national soldiers' homes, and these stand side by side with the other charitable institutions of the state and national governments.

And our post ranks are as free from the operation mentioned in Mr. Clerihan's "my old thing" and dead as any other mutual organizations. The impossibility of discriminating

between terms of service of its soldiers in the matter of pensions, was apparent to the national government, so all soldiers who served ninety days are as eligible for pensions as those who served longer terms. And the Grand Army cannot do otherwise in enrolling. Members of Matt Starr post extend a welcoming hand to all honorably discharged soldiers and sailors of the civil war, and we have the same remedy as other bodies in protecting our ranks from unworthy applicants. If Mr. Clerihan chooses to stay out in the cold because of his "quality," we cannot help it. And the post is not going to put on mourning over it either.

Get that "wheel out of your head," Mike.

J. W. Melton.

IN BED FOUR WEEKS WITH LA GRIPPE.

We have received the following letter from Roy Kemp, of Angola, Ind.: "I was in bed four weeks with la grippe and I tried many remedies and spent considerable for treatment with physicians, but I received no relief until I tried Foley's Honey and Tar. Two small bottles of this medicine cured me and now I use it exclusively in my family." Take no substitute. Sold by J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store.

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Peoria, daily	7:50 am
Peoria, daily	3:40 pm
Peoria, ac. tri., ex. Sunday	11:05 am
C. & A.	
Chicago-Peoria	8:00 am
Chicago, ex. Sunday	1:12 pm
Chicago-Peoria	5:45 pm
For Chicago	5:45 pm
GOING WEST	
J. & St. L.	7:05 am
For St. Louis	7:05 am
C. & A.	
For Kansas City	10:40 am
For Kansas City and St. Louis	11:45 am
For Kansas City	5:45 pm
For St. Louis, ex. Sunday	7:20 am
For St. Louis, ex. Sunday	6:25 pm
For Roodhouse, ex. Sunday	6:25 pm
GOING EAST	
Wabash	
For Hannibal, Quincy and Kansas	7:04 am
For Hannibal, Quincy and Kansas	6:55 pm
Decatur Accommodation	10:10 am
Kansas City Mail	1:43 pm
GOING SOUTH	
Wabash	
For Toledo	8:27 am
For Toledo	8:54 pm
Decatur Accommodation	8:10 pm
Buffalo mail	1:30 am
Time of arrival of trains:	
FROM NORTH	
C. & P. & St. L., daily	10:55 am
C. & P. & St. L., daily	7:06 pm
C. & P. & St. L., ac. ex. Sunday	9:45 am
FROM SOUTH	
J. & St. L.	11:00 am
J. & St. L.	9:50 pm
C. & A., ex. Sunday	11:40 am
C. & A., ex. Sunday	8:10 pm

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City and County

F. E. Huse left last night for a Kansas City visit.
Henry Reid went to Palmyra on business interests yesterday.
Mrs. J. M. Green, of Pisgah, is the guest of Mrs. C. A. Osborne.
Robert Cassell was a business visitor in Springfield Thursday.
H. D. Yeager, of Franklin, spent Thursday in the city on business.
Mrs. Ray Randolph, of Virginia, was a Thursday visitor in the city.
Hale, phones 74 Athens coal.
M. W. Schultz, of Decatur, transacted business in the city yesterday.
Lincoln Cowden, of Joy Prairie, spent yesterday here on business.
Peanut candy for 10c lb.; Ehmie.
Joseph Hermes, of Alexander, was here on business interests yesterday.
C. C. Young, of Literberry, was a business visitor in the city Thursday.
Hale; hickory wood; oak wood.
Edward Petefish, of Virginia, transacted business in the city Thursday.
William Crum, of Literberry, was here on business interests yesterday.
William Combs, of Lynnville, made the Journal a pleasant call Thursday.
Miss Fannie Russell is quite sick at her home on East College avenue.
Henry Oakes, of Bluffs, spent yesterday in the city on business interests.
Almonds, California, 15c lb.; Ehmie.
Mrs. Eli McCaulley, of Virginia, visited the capital of Morgan yesterday.
Miss Florence G. Anderson, of Virginia, was a Thursday visitor in the city.
Frank Graff, of Ashland, was here Thursday visiting Charles and George Graff.
Hazel Means, of Sinclair, was a Thursday business visitor in the city.
Order WHITE LILY FLOUR of your grocer. It will please you.
Mrs. Harvey Long, of Literberry, was a shopping visitor in the city yesterday.
John Vieira, who resides in the car shop addition, is numbered among the sick.
Dr. Wolfe, of St. Louis, was in the city yesterday on business with Dr. A. L. Adams.
California almonds, 15c lb.; Ehmie.
Newton Moss, of Prentice, was in Jacksonville on business interests yesterday.
Edward Irving, a prominent citizen of Chambersburg, was in the city yesterday.
Hay, corn, oats and all kinds of feed at BROOK MILL; phones 240.
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Stimpson are visiting relatives in Sinclair neighborhood.
Dr. E. F. Baker went to Sandoval in the interests of the state board of health Thursday.
P. J. Hallia, of Chicago, was in the city on business with J. Capps & Sons Thursday.
Crushed oyster shells will make the hens lay eggs. BROOK MILL.
The South Side Circle will meet with Mrs. E. L. Crouch this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.
James Shields went to St. Louis Thursday, after a holiday visit with relatives in the city.
Mrs. L. H. Pratt and daughter, Miss Edna Pratt, returned from a Chicago visit Tuesday.
William Brady has changed his residence from 1030 West College avenue to Caldwell street.
Mrs. William Spencer has returned to Whitehall, after a pleasant visit with friends in the city.
T. A. Cannon, of Niagara Falls, is expected here to day for a visit at the home of William Cannon.
Mrs. Henry Jacobs and Mrs. Ray Randolph, both of Virginia, were shopping in the city yesterday.

MISS VIRGINIA HOOD TO STUDY

Miss Virginia Hood, head nurse and house superintendent of Maplewood sanatorium, for nervous diseases, left Thursday for Philadelphia where she will enter the Pennsylvania Orthopedic hospital and infirmary for a three months' course in nursing, massage and dietetics, as applied to the treatment of nervous diseases. This is the hospital made famous by Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, its founder, and from which have emanated all of the clinical work of this great specialist. It is the one hospital which has won an international reputation in the treatment and clinical study of nervous diseases. For this reason positions in its classes are difficult to secure.
Miss Catlin secured admission through the influence of Dr. F. P. Norbury. She has been on the waiting list for five months and now enters the January class. The work which Miss Catlin has undertaken is thorough and is given under the personal instruction of Dr. Mitchell's assistants, one of whom is his son, Dr. J. K. Mitchell. A diploma is granted for this course and is one highly appreciated by all graduates of this institution. Dr. Norbury feels justly proud of the recognition given Miss Catlin, for her position at the head of the nursing of his institution will give greater opportunity for thorough work at Maplewood, and will enable him to perfect a training school for this special field of nursing.
On the return of Miss Catlin it is Dr. Norbury's intention to have his house physician, Dr. J. W. Colbert, go to Philadelphia to study in the clinics for nervous diseases under Dr. Mitchell and other eminent neurologists.
The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the Ayers National bank, Jacksonville, Illinois, for the election of directors, will be held at its banking house on Jan. 12, 1904, between the hours of 10 and 4 of said day.
C. G. Rutledge, Cashier.

LOYAL AMERICANS.

The Loyal Americans held their annual installation exercises Thursday evening and the following were inducted into office:
President—John Nunes.
Vice president—Harry Ballard.
Secretary and treasurer—Robert Smith.
Prelate—Miss Mabel Ballard.
Sergeant—Newton Angel.
Orderly—John C. Pires.
First corporal—Mrs. W. J. Brooks.
Second corporal—Miss Ada De Freitas.
Guard—Abel Menezes.
Sentinel—Joe Nunes.
After the formal program had been carried out the members adjourned to the restaurant of T. J. Packard, where a splendid oyster supper with all the usual accessories was served in faultless style.

TO MEET EARLY.

McLain leads the way in politics this year, the county central committee having met and decided to call the Republican primaries for February 20th and the convention for the 23rd. There was some discussion among the members of the committee as to the best day for the primaries, but finally all agreed on the date named and it proved satisfactory to the friends of all the different candidates. Representatives of the different gubernatorial candidates were in the city and there was considerable caucusing during the day.

MADE INQUIRIES.

Coroner Reynolds received a telephone message yesterday from Tom Fortune, of Chicago, making inquiries concerning the death of his brother and giving directions for the shipment of the remains to Chicago. The brother promises to write particulars about young Fortune's life, the destination he had in view, etc.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

William McDonnell to M. E. McDonnell, lots 4 and 5, Green's addition to Jacksonville; \$5.
I. Harmon to S. Baldwin, w/2 lot 1 in nw., etc., 4-15-10; \$1; release deed.
J. McDonnell to George Hart, n. and w/2 lots 36 and 37, block 12, W. B. Reid to C. L. and M. A. Reid, part lot 5, block 9, city addition; quit claim deed, \$1.

PROBATE COURT.

Estate of Gottlieb Henry Troll, deceased. Petition heard and allowed.
Estate of J. M. Coons, deceased. Inventory approved.
Estate of M. A. Halsted, deceased. Petition of B. H. Halsted for letters of administration. Allowed and bond fixed at \$5,000.

MATT STARR POST, G. A. R.

There will be a meeting of the post Friday at 7:30 p. m. for the installation of officers. Refreshments after the installation.

William Kirby, Com.
J. S. Anderson, Adj.

W. R. O.

Matt Starr Relief Corps will meet to day on regular all day meeting. There will be a joint installation of officers this evening. Refreshments will be served.
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DR. GRAY AND THE OPERA HOUSE.

Dr. Gray, owner of the opera house, was in the city Thursday and with the mayor and chief of the fire department went over the building carefully. He was seen also by a Journal reporter and the article in the Journal which hurt him was discussed. The reporter told the doctor that the silence with which the mayor's telegram was treated was the cause of the course of the paper. If the owner of the opera house had responded promptly, better in person, or even by letter, and expressed a willingness to do the fair thing all might have been well, but his complete silence after receiving a message from the head of the city was unwarranted. The doctor said the dispatch was sent Friday and at the time he was very busy as is always the case with him at the end of the month, but that he meant to come right down anyhow, but was hindered and Saturday wrote the mayor a letter agreeing that something should be done and promising to show up here soon. He had what he claimed was a copy of the letter and it was dated Saturday, but it was not received by Mayor Davis until Wednesday. The mayor didn't have the envelope and was uncertain what had become of it, so the date of mailing couldn't be established. It would have looked better if the doctor had wired the mayor Friday, when he found he couldn't be here, though if his letter was mailed Saturday he is more excusable than was supposed. The condition of the building was well discussed. If the carriage entrance doors are made to open outward and the ones in the southeast part of the lower floor put in condition that part of the house will be in fairly good shape. Some more escapes or exits are needed for the balcony and especially the gallery and the details of these were talked over, but no definite conclusion was reached and the mayor decided it would be best to formulate what the authorities considered suitable and fair to be done and present it to the doctor, and see if an agreement can be reached which will insure safety and not work unjust hardship.

Later—Since the above was written, Mayor Davis called at the Journal office and produced the envelope in which Dr. Gray's letter, written Jan. 2, was mailed and the postmark in Peoria was plainly the 5th and the receipt of the letter here was 8:30 p. m. Jan. 5 and delivery was, of course, the 6th.

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Large German dill pickles, per dozen	20c
New mixed nuts, per lb	15c
Red kidney beans, 3 lbs for	25c

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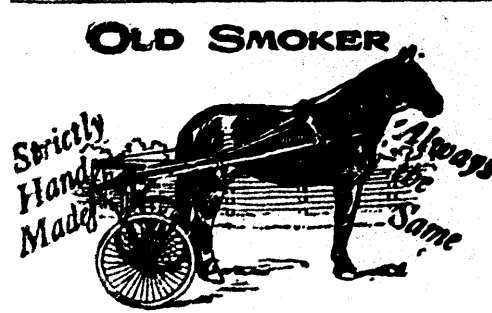
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CITY COUNCIL

A SPECIALLY BUSINESS- LIKE MEETING

The Police Matron Ordinance
Was Approved With an
Amendment

The Clerk's Annual Report
Heard, the Appropriation Or-
dinance Adopted, Fire Escapes
for Public Buildings Discussed

The first council meeting of the new year was one of the most business like held by the present board of aldermen. A great deal of business was transacted and there was little time spent in useless talk or presenting impracticable schemes. There was a flutter of expectation when the ladies and members who had so signally brought a previous meeting to terms marched in and some anticipation of an interesting time was indulged in but to no avail. His honor surrendered at discretion just as the gentlemen at the previous meeting had done; all he asked was an amendment to the police matron ordinance and then he too was for it and to show how great minds run in the same channel, the ladies said the amendment suggested was just what they had wanted all along and so the measure became a law. Considerable time was devoted to discussing the matter of fire escapes for the opera house and other structures in the city and while improvements were easily shown to be imperative the council manifested no disposition to act hastily or unreasonably in view of the recent dreadful calamity. The mayor's report of his actions proved that he had proceeded with wisdom and caution and had been actuated by a desire to seek the safety of the people and keep within the limits of the law. The appropriations for the new year were discussed and passed. The city clerk read his annual report which is presented in full and is an admirable document. The salary increase ordinance was laid over again.

THE PROCEEDINGS.
The council met in regular session Thursday night with all present; Mayor John R. Davis in the chair.

Ald. Cobb presented a petition from residents on South Clay avenue for a light between Morton and Superior avenues. Referred to the light committee.

Mayor Davis read the following: Jacksonville, Jan. 7.—To the Members of the City Council.—Gentlemen: At the last regular meeting of the city council—Dec. 17—there was an ordinance presented and passed creating the office of city matron. I return this ordinance to the city council with my disapproval of Section 1, and ask that the same be amended. I have given the subject of city matron a great deal of consideration. I have made visits to several cities where a city matron, or what most cities term a police matron, have been appointed and I find there is quite a field for such work, but in the city of Jacksonville we are not equipped for fully carrying out this work. In as much as we have no separate rooms for the confinement of female prisoners, and if this office is created all female prisoners should be turned over to the custody of the city matron. I also feel that other offices, such as night desk sergeant, a city plumber and building inspector, an inspector of weights and measures and other things needed really more than the office of city matron; yet I believe it is a step in the right direction and that a great deal of good can be accomplished in this office if filled by the right person. The office of city matron has been asked for by the ladies of this city, of the various clubs and churches and has the hearty support and recommendation of the Mifflin industrial association, and I feel that we should be willing to give this office a fair trial. The ordinance passed at your last meeting does not place this office under the direction of any one and I feel that appointments made by the city of Jacksonville should be responsible to some one. I further feel that this department should be under the direct supervision of the police department, but in as much as the promoters of this ordinance, that is to say, the ladies of our city, believe it should be a separate department, I am willing to abide by their wish. I, therefore, return said ordinance to you, asking that Section 1 be amended to read as follows: "There is hereby created the office of city matron of the city of Jacksonville. She shall be subject to and under the direction of the mayor and city council and shall make a monthly report of her doings to the same."

I recommend that the ordinance be passed as amended. Respectfully submitted,
JOHN R. DAVIS, Mayor.

Ald. Hildreth moved the recommendations of the mayor be concurred in. Carried.

The mayor offered the ladies an opportunity to be heard and Mrs. Carriel said the ladies were very grateful to the council and were perfectly satisfied with the mayor's suggestion.

The mayor read the following:

Jacksonville, Jan. 7.—To the Members of the City Council.—Gentlemen: On Sept. 3, 1903, Alderman McGinnis presented to the city council a matter relative to fire escapes to the opera house building, saying the same should be provided with fire escapes. I informed Alderman McGinnis and the council at that time that I had already taken that matter up with the owner of the building and he had promised to have the same attended to. I have spoken to Mr. Gray a number of times relative to this matter. About the 15th of December, Alderman McGinnis and I had a talk with Mr. Gray relative to these fire escapes and he promised to immediately have the same attended to.

The recent disaster at the Iroquois theatre in Chicago has aroused the world to the necessity of immediate bettering of the condition of all public buildings, and while we have been negligent in the past there is no reason why we should not now use all haste to make amends for the past. On the 30th I telegraphed Mr. Gray at his home in Peoria informing him that he must immediately have exits and fire escapes arranged in the Grand opera house and building. To the present time, however, nothing has been done. On Jan. 1, 1904, I telegraphed to Y. P. Rice, the manager of the Grand

opera house, at his home in Peoria that he must close the house until Mr. Gray properly attended matters here. I also notified Mr. Gray of my action.

I would recommend to this city council that a committee of five aldermen be appointed to investigate all public buildings in the city of Jacksonville and to make such a recommendation to this city council as they deem advisable and to recommend a suitable ordinance for the protection of the people in all public buildings. Respectfully submitted,
JOHN R. DAVIS, Mayor.

A committee of five aldermen, with the fire chief was voted.

The mayor said Dr. Gray was in the city and had expressed a willingness to make some improvements. The mayor read a letter he had written to the gentleman:

Jacksonville, Jan. 7.—Dr. W. A. Gray, Owner of the Opera House Building, Jacksonville, Ill.—Dear Sir: You have asked me to give you an idea as to what I will institute improvements to make the Grand opera house and building satisfactory to the citizens of Jacksonville. I believe we have the prettiest little theatre in the state and could make it perfectly safe with a small expenditure of money. I would first say that the stage proper should be equipped with a fire alarm box connected with the fire department. That the standpipe upon the stage should be equipped with first-class rubber hose of the strongest pressure. There should be hose on the stage floor proper and from the scene shifter on the stage above. That the ventilator in the top of the stage proper and the ventilator in the top of the opera house proper should be so arranged that it could be opened and closed at will from the ground floor, it now being necessary to climb practically to the roof of the stage to open and close the said ventilator. The auditorium proper should have four exits. The main exit you now have is in good shape, the carriage entrance, which has never been used, should be changed so the doors would open out instead of in, as they do at present, and that all material now piled in said entrance should be cleaned out and that this exit should be left unlocked at all times during performances. That the exit on the south opening out into a court in the rear should be left unlocked at all times during the performances and that a new exit should be cut from the present ladies' dressing room on the southeast corner of the building. At the present time there is a window opening out from this room, so this could easily be made into a door and a good exit, and that the word "Exit" should be placed over each exit and that a red light be displayed over the same at all times. This, in my judgment, would make the ground floor as safe as any theatre in the country.

There should be not less than three exits from the first balcony and at the present time you have but one, and that entering directly into the main auditorium. You all know the way from the west side of the balcony entering into the carriage exit on the first floor. The doors on the south side of the balcony that now open out on to a one-story roof, making a descent of three feet from side, doors on the top of the roof, should be arranged with steps down to the roof and from there a fire escape should be placed to the ground below. This with the stairways leading from the balcony down to the stage would make the stage perfectly safe.

The gallery in the present condition is in very bad shape, having but one exit, that upon the west side. There should be placed fire escapes from the two windows on the east side of the gallery and one on the south side. The way from the west side, make the gallery perfectly safe.

These, with the addition of fire escapes on the south side of your building proper, that is to say, the hotel side of the building, and the side of the building for flats, would make your building perfectly safe and in accordance with the laws covering such buildings.

I trust you will immediately give this matter your attention, which I feel will matter very much to your house building. I am, yours very respectfully,
JOHN R. DAVIS, Mayor.

Ald. Babb said the hotel should have a fire escape on the north side of the hotel part.

Ald. Moore thought a platform and railing for the roof mentioned would be a good thing.

Ald. Goveia said he had gone over the building with Dr. Gray, who had then and previously promised to do practically what the mayor had suggested, but had done really nothing, and wouldn't unless forced to do it.

Ald. Vaught said he had gone over the building and made notes of what he thought wise and the mayor's suggestions were practically the same, though he would suggest an additional door to make the gallery exit a little safer. The balcony door opening on the south was locked and no one about the house knew where the key was. There should be a proper fire escape from that door for the opera house and hotel. The exit from the stage was poor. The door on west opens inward and the passage to it is long and narrow and would be used by many in an emergency.

The large double doors on the north end were fastened with a large stick in sockets, and should be so arranged that they will slide easily, as it would be hard for them to be made to open outward. He was sorry Dr. Gray's conduct made such action as the mayor had wisely taken necessary. There was a galvanized iron chute used as a receptacle for slops from the hotel part and it ends above the ground, emptying quantities of filthy water on the top of the ground. This is bad and should be remedied by connection with a sewer. There should also be a good asbestos curtain which will work easily.

The mayor said his letter could not be enforced without a proper ordinance.

Ald. Kennedy moved the letter read by the mayor be sent Dr. Gray with the approval of the council.

In answer to the question of Ald. Moore, the mayor said Dr. Gray could open the house when the doors are made to open outward; until the council passes an ordinance.

Ald. Kennedy asked if there were exits from the basement dressing room and was told there were none, except from the stage above.

Ald. Kennedy asked regarding the lighting of the city hall from the city's plant and was told that the other city buildings were connected where only night lights were needed, but the city plant could not supply light during the day, which the city hall sometimes needed.

Ald. Goveia thought the matter of

ANNUAL REPORT

Submitted to Council by City
Clerk S. B. Stewart.

Jacksonville, Ill., Dec. 31, 1903.
To the Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council of the City of Jacksonville, Ill.

Gentlemen:
In accordance with the city ordinance under chapter IV, relating to the city clerk's report, I have the honor to submit the following report for the fiscal year ending December 31st, 1903.

Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1904	.....\$ 1,919.06
The receipts for 1903 are itemized as follows:	
Water Department	.....\$ 13,886.36
Taxes	.....52,100.25
Saloon and Billiards	.....22,198.90
Justices of the Peace	.....5,761.51
Petty Licenses	.....446.75
Pavement opening permits	.....230.00
Sewer permits	.....80.00
House moving permits	.....61.00
Wiring permits	.....37.00
Sundry sources (unclassified)	.....180.50
City scales	.....21.90

Total.....\$35,023.96

By way of comparison I herewith submit a statement of the receipts from the various sources for 1902 and 1903.

	1902	1903
Water department	\$12,009.92	\$13,886.36
Saloons and billiards	20,275.18	22,198.90
Diamond Grove cemetery (general fund)	499.50	
Jacksonville Cemetery (general fund)	242.90	
Taxes	44,507.22	52,100.25
Petty licenses	385.41	446.75
City scales	19.00	21.90
Justices of the Peace	3,510.49	5,761.51
Sewer permits	90.00	80.00
Sundry sources	268.54	180.50
Wiring permits	50.30	37.00
Pavement opening permits	340.00	230.00
House moving permits	30.00	61.00
Transfers from special funds	22.38	

Total.....\$33,255.85

From the above it will be seen that the receipts for 1903 are larger than those of 1902 by \$11,768.11; and taking an average of the receipts for the last ten years the amount would be \$77,993.88.

ANTICIPATION WARRANTS.

The following anticipation warrants were issued during the year 1903:

Jan. 21, 1903, taxes of 1902.....\$ 9,990.78

March 7, 1903, taxes of 1902.....3,910.49

April 4, 1903, taxes of 1902.....5,568.65

Total.....\$19,469.92

The above being payable out of the taxes of 1902 were paid last May when the taxes of the preceding year were turned over to the city treasurer by the sheriff.

The following anticipation warrants have been issued since the above were paid off and are outstanding, to be paid when the taxes of 1903 are collected and turned over to the city treasurer.

Oct. 3, 1903, taxes of 1903.....\$ 6,567.94

Nov. 3, 1903, taxes of 1903.....3,910.49

Dec. 5, 1903, taxes of 1903.....5,598.97

Dec. 23, 1903, taxes of 1903.....3,103.07

Total.....\$19,180.47

TAX LEVY.

The tax levy for corporate purposes and current expenses for the year 1903 is \$33,103.84.

Under the law 75 per cent of this can be anticipated which amounts to.....\$24,827.88

Amount already anticipated on this levy.....15,520.82

Balance that can be anticipated.....\$21,307.06

The unpaid bills filed up to Dec. 31, 1903 amount to \$740.25 and the city can pay enough money in the treasury at the time the new appropriation ordinance goes into effect, these bills can be paid by drawing anticipation warrants against the levy as in former years.

The tax levy to be made by this council for the year 1904 will be considerably less than in former years for the reason that the state board of equalization has seen fit to cut down certain parts of the assessment both for county and city and this will effect the revenues for the city as far as taxes are concerned to a considerable degree.

The equalized valuation for the city according to the county clerk's books is \$2,319,100 which is less than for the preceding year by \$335,831.00.

The tax for municipal purposes for the coming year outside of bond tax, sinking fund, public library and other special fund, will be \$46,386.22 and the city can be added to this 75 per cent for collection, which will be \$34,789.67 and is the amount that the county clerk will be required to pay for municipal purposes.

MUNICIPAL BONDS.

The city of Jacksonville has municipal bonds outstanding as follows:

Bond issue of April 27, 1895, comprising 50 bonds of the denomination of \$1,000 each, bearing 5 per cent interest registered at the office of the state auditor, due April 27, 1906, amounting to \$50,000.00.

Bond issue of July 1, 1899, comprising 229 bonds of the denomination of \$500 each, bearing 5 per cent interest, not registered, due in series of \$6,000.00 each year until the year 1919 all due in 20 years from date of issue amounting to \$114,500, making a total bonded indebtedness of the city \$164,500.00.

The ordinance authorizing the last named issue of bonds provides for a sinking fund of \$6,000.00 each year to take up the bonds as they become due, and this levy is made each year, the statute prescribing that such a levy can be made outside of the levy for current expenses.

Since these bonds were issued in 1895, \$18,000.00 of these bonds have been paid, thereby reducing our bonded indebtedness to that extent.

The issue of 1895 amounting to \$95,000 as shown above will become due April 27, 1906 and it will devolve upon this council to take the necessary steps to refund these bonds. They are now drawing interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum and they can be refunded at a lower rate of interest, possibly as low as 4 per cent, and thus effect a saving to the taxpayers.

The refunding of bonds by municipalities can be done in two ways. The act of the general assembly in force July 1, 1872, entitled "An Act for the Incorporation of Cities and Villages" provides for the refunding of bonds by municipalities, and the bonds issued by the city in 1899 were issued under this act, and were not registered.

The other law relating to issuing of bonds by cities is entitled "An Act Relating to County and City Debts and to Provide for the Payment Thereof by Taxation in such Counties and Cities approved Feb. 13, 1885, and to amend the title thereof, approved June 4, 1879, in force July 1, 1879." Bonds issued under this act are designated under the general title "Railroad and Manufacturing Bonds."

Ald. Bonds. This act requires that all bonds issued according to its provisions should be registered in the office of the state auditor, thereby relieving the cities or any further concern after the bonds are issued under this act, and the county clerk, the auditor, certifies to the county clerk

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Sale looked forward to with great interest by the ladies of Jacksonville.

A short time since the Journal referred to a mammoth lemon raised by Mrs. Ed Mayer, residing near Alexander, or east of that place. The lady was in a day or two ago and told a Journal reporter that she was unable to tell where she bought the tree, but it was a producer having a crop of nine lemons on this year and of excellent quality. She said it would bear lemons weighing a pound and a quarter under favorable circumstances. Mr. Schmalz cut the one given him and it proved to be an excellent article, making a fine quality of lemonade. A part of it was given the writer, who showed it to Mr. Bonansinga, who said he had seen about all the kinds of lemons grown but that one was new to him. It is shaped wholly unlike the ordinary article and very much larger.



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WM. FLORETH

City and County

Hale, phones 74, Athens coal.
Philip Becker, sr., is ill at his home on East Chambers street.

John Ryan has returned from a visit with friends in Clinton.

The Fine Point club will meet with Mrs. Edward Rockwell this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

Peanut candy, 10c lb. Ehnie's.
Mr. Stanley Rice, of Boston, is in the city a guest at the home of Mrs. Nannie Mathews.

James Dewees, of Louisville, Ky., is visiting his wife's brother, W. D. Alexander, of this city.

E. M. Prass, a well known representative of Dun's commercial agency, is spending a few days in the city.

Only 10c a lb. for peanut candy at Ehnie's.

Mrs. E. S. VanAnglen has returned from Shelbyville, where she has been visiting her parents for a number of days.

Misses Becca Katzenstein, of Petersburg, and Bertha Freedman, of Mendota, are guests of Miss Frank of North Church street.

Hale; phones 74; Athens coal.

Mrs. Davis, of Kansas City, has returned from Eureka, where she has been visiting, and will spend the remainder of the winter with her niece Mrs. Austin Carter, of this city.

Cards are out announcing the engagement of Miss Retta Eppinger and William Bowman, both of Cincinnati. The young lady is a daughter of William Eppinger, formerly of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Martin, of St. Louis, are visiting relatives and friends in the city. The gentleman is a son of Buker Martin and the lady was formerly Miss Mabel Crouse of this city.

Frank Elliott and wife have arrived in New York and expected to proceed to Philadelphia to make Mr. Elliott's mother a visit before coming westward. They reached their native land in good health and doubtless much benefited by their trip.

Miss E. Laura Ripley, teacher of art in Illinois college, may be seen at Academy hall by those desiring courses in art, between 10 and 12 in morning and 4 and 5 in afternoon during present week; Saturday excepted.

The Woman's Missionary society of the Christian church will meet at 3 o'clock this afternoon with Mrs. Arthur Hayden on West College street. The subject will be "Woman's Work in this Century"; leader, Mrs. J. B. Wharton.

Capt. Wesley James, First Lieutenant, A. VanWinkle and Second Lieutenant, Clarence Mitchell, of Company 1, N. G., went to Decatur Thursday to take their military examination, made necessary under the Dick militia law.

The managers of the lecture course wish to inform the public that the Ernest Gamble concert has merely been postponed on account of the closing of the opera house, but that a future date will be made with the company and it will be duly announced.

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The appropriation ordinance provides the money for reconstructing the dam at Morgan lake and, while the park commission would have liked a little more money, they will not complain, for the council has all along manifested a cordial and generous disposition toward the enterprise.

CITY COUNCIL

(Continued from Fourth Page.)

wiring permits had been much neglected and many jobs had not been inspected.

The mayor said all such persons were violating the law, and if the gentleman knew of any he should report them.

The city clerk read his annual report, which appears elsewhere.

Ald. Vaughn spoke in a highly complimentary manner and moved the thanks of the council be tendered the gentleman for the excellent document.

Several seconds were heard and the motion passed unanimously.

Ald. Cobb, chairman of the finance committee, read the proposed appropriation ordinance, which was nearly the same as that suggested by the city clerk.

Ald. Johnson said some of the items will be larger than for the same last year and some smaller. He thought there were some permanent improvements, such as a pagoda in Central park, improvements in Duncan park and arches in Central park.

By courtesy of the council, John J. Reeve spoke on behalf of the park commission. There is now about \$5,000 available for park improvements.

The park is for those not able to enjoy travel and other luxuries and it seems to the board that the city should match the gift that has been made and would have been, if the gift had been on those terms.

From the very admirable report of the city clerk the revenues will not be much less than last year. You have appropriated \$20,000 for brick sewers, much needed. I think the sewer could be constructed without taxing the city best by making a general levy on the property benefited, which is the south half of the city. You can only build a piece at a time, which will be costly and not satisfactory.

I doubt if you will be able to raise the \$20,000 this year. The park should be developed and put in shape as soon as possible, if any good is to be had from it. The place should have a pavilion, grass, trees, custodian and other expenses. The board wants to begin right and do what will be wise in the long run. In view of all facts we feel the city should vote us \$2,500 for use this year.

Ald. Cobb—the finance committee felt that as the city's income would be smaller this year, it would be well to award but \$500 this year.

Ald. Vaughn said much expense would be paid from the present appropriations to improve the lake, dam and conduit to the dumping works which would be for the park virtually. This spring the people would be asked to vote a special tax, which will yield a pretty good sum. The \$5,000 now available will do much toward improving.

Ald. Hildreth said he felt a pavilion a very necessary improvement for the park and he moved a subscription be started for the erection of one.

The mayor said he realized the need of the structure, but it would have \$5,500 as the matter stands. He thought the best time to try to get money would be after work had begun in the spring. A grand opening day would be the best thing and a general sentiment created in favor; then ask for the tax vote. When a start is made and showing clearly in sight, then it will be the best time to make a start.

C. L. Degen, of the park board, said if the city would give a little something more than the ordinance provided, it would be a great blessing for the poor of the city, who would have little other sources of pleasure. Start the park with a pavilion this year. Give at least \$2,000 this year, and it will be a blessing to those who so much need such a place of resort. I feel the people will approve the gift of \$2,000 or \$2,500 this year.

Ald. Johnson said a good many meters had been reported covered and not accessible.

Superintendent Scott said many had been uncovered, but some were yet out of sight. A great many meters were registering against the city, causing loss. When meters are registering against the city there are even then complaints. One man who complained had the meter tested and found it was losing the city 30 per cent.

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Ald. Johnson asked that Dr. Harker be permitted to speak. The latter said he had paid much attention to protection from fire and thought the Woman's college admirably constructed in that respect. He proceeded to explain the construction of the building, which he deemed amply supplied with good fire escapes. A quantity of emergency hose had been supplied with stand pipes in all stories. Many of the fire extinguishers were also in various parts of the building.

Ald. Kennedy said he had looked over the building, at Dr. Harker's request, and had been pleased to see the excellent arrangements for protection against fire and means of escape in case of trouble. The arrangements he regarded excellent and hard to improve.

Ald. Vaughn said next week a man would be here to exhibit a police and fire box and the aldermen would be duly notified.

Ald. Moore—If the city appropriates more than \$500 this year it will set the people against it. I think the present course wisest than to give too much at once. Do a little now and the people will cheerfully vote a special tax for park improvements, which will be available after the present year.

The mayor read the regular appropriation ordinance prepared by the city clerk, which was in consonance with the report of the finance committee, read by Ald. Cobb.

Ald. Johnson moved the adoption of the emergency clause, which was done unanimously.

Ald. Johnson moved the adoption of the ordinance, which was done unanimously.

Ald. Cobb moved the mayor appoint the custodian for the new park and pay him from the city funds.

Ald. Moore said that was not contemplated in the appropriation.

Ald. Vaughn agreed.

Ald. Babb thought there was a custodian there now.

Ald. Moore thought the park board had charge now.

Ald. Kennedy said there was complaint of cattle feeding on the banks of the lake, causing offal to run into the water.

Ald. Goveia thought the council should hardly appoint the park custodian.

Ald. Kennedy thought later on, if the park board needed money, the council would grant it.

Ald. Goveia said the water committee was proud of the record of the past six months and the collections. He supposed the park board would correct the cattle feeding by the lake.

The mayor showed a water meter badly out of order causing loss to the city, and a sample of hundreds of others and he wondered which was better, to suffer loss or hire men to make repairs, or make a flat rate.

Ald. Vaughn spoke against a flat water rate. At present the quality of water was poor. If possible, a filter should be put in for the whole city supply.

Ald. Babb wanted to know if the water couldn't be settled at the pumping works.

The mayor said if the city had water enough a flat rate would be a good thing. People didn't understand the meters and looked on them as a mysterious thing calculated to defraud.

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Superintendent Scott said many had been uncovered, but some were yet out of sight. A great many meters were registering against the city, causing loss. When meters are registering against the city there are even then complaints. One man who complained had the meter tested and found it was losing the city 30 per cent.

Ald. Babb thought the iron pipe from the lake would help correct the trouble with city water.

Ald. Johnson asked that Dr. Harker be permitted to speak. The latter said he had paid much attention to protection from fire and thought the Woman's college admirably constructed in that respect. He proceeded to explain the construction of the building, which he deemed amply supplied with good fire escapes. A quantity of emergency hose had been supplied with stand pipes in all stories. Many of the fire extinguishers were also in various parts of the building.

Ald. Kennedy said he had looked over the building, at Dr. Harker's request, and had been pleased to see the excellent arrangements for protection against fire and means of escape in case of trouble. The arrangements he regarded excellent and hard to improve.

Ald. Vaughn said next week a man would be here to exhibit a police and fire box and the aldermen would be duly notified.

The desk sergeant ordinance was read the second time.

Ald. Goveia moved its adoption. Several seconds.

Ald. Kennedy thought it best to wait until the matter of police call or alarm was settled.

The ordinance was adopted; Alds. Kennedy, Moore and Vaughn voting no.

The salary increase ordinance was read.

Ald. Hildreth moved an amendment of \$5 increase instead of \$10.

Ald. McGinnis, seconded by Ald. Kennedy, moved action be deferred. Carried.

The ordinance condemning land just south of the Wabash freight depot was read.

Ald. Doolin moved it be adopted.

The mayor thought it unwise. The city would probably have to buy if this was done and it would be costly. The council had appropriated money for paving and the road would doubtless help.

Ald. Kennedy said the land had been a public highway for fifty years and should not cost anything.

The mayor said the city had assessed the land and collected taxes. Ald. Kennedy protested against forever knocking to corporations.

Ald. Doolin favored proceeding in a proper way.

Ald. Vaughn said if the ordinance was passed it would be a dead letter and moved it be let pass indefinitely.

Ald. Doolin said it would take a good while to get the thing through the courts and the ordinance should be passed and then they could see what would be needed.

Ald. Ticknor thought it unnecessary to pay for the land.

Ald. Kennedy wanted to know why his land was treated in a like manner. The corporations were always favored.

The mayor said the council did not favor corporations. He said the company had a deed to the land. They had said they would erect a freight depot, and, of course, would have to have a street about it. He thought it best to favor and try to conciliate and encourage the road to build.

Ald. Vaughn's motion to postpone action prevailed.

Ald. Doolin moved a committee be appointed to confer with the Wabash people regarding this piece of property. Carried.

Ald. Doolin, Kennedy and Vaughn were appointed.

Ald. McGinnis made great complaint of the manner in which the crossings of the new railroad in the vicinity of the car shops were closed too much of the time, causing great inconvenience.

The mayor said Mr. Crane had been seen repeatedly on the subject, but he seemed indifferent. He would again notify the gentleman and do something more effective, if there was no action taken.

Ald. Vaughn said he had an ordinance to introduce and wished to preface it by a few remarks. The city should treat all alike and not get after Dr. Gray only. There were many buildings in the city now violating the state law and very insecure in case of fire. The council should not act hastily, but should act at least by next meeting, and meantime all the council should try to post themselves and be ready to act intelligently. It was not the intention to act hastily in the light of a great scare, or to impose unreasonable hardships upon property owners. Before the owners of many buildings can be compelled to correct defects in their structures a special ordinance must be passed. He then proceeded to read the ordinance, which was calculated to place public buildings of certain character in a safe condition in case of fire or panic. He simply asked careful and intelligent attention of the subject and suggested the measure lie over, which was done.

Ald. Doolin called attention to the unsafe condition of the livery stable ruins on North Main street. The fire chief was instructed to investigate and act as he saw fit.

Ald. Ticknor said reference had been made to the unsafe condition of the school building at the State School for the Deaf, and suggested that the new structure was outside the city limits.

The mayor said the city would have no jurisdiction in that case.

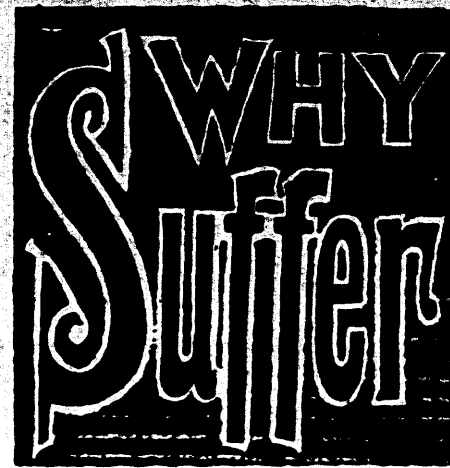
Ald. Kennedy suggested that the city or county board might, in conjunction with the state authorities. Adjourned.

NOTES.

The clerk's annual report was one of the best documents ever presented by such an official.

Especially attention is called to the annual report of the clerk showing the receipts of the past year. It proves that the police department has collected the greatest amount on record during any year in the existence of the city. Much credit is due to Chief Dunavan and his assistants.

The suggestion of Mr. Reeve regarding the manner of raising the means for the construction of the trunk sewer is most timely. If the work be done piecemeal it will be very unsatisfactory and require years for its completion. The city attorney and engineer are now at work preparing the details for undertaking the work in the manner suggested, and when their report is ready the subject can be considered. The south half of the city would all be benefited and the north as far as Court street, and the bonds could be given twenty years to run and their payment would not be a burden to any person.



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SALT LAKE EVAPORATION.

Artificial Means Necessary to Preserve Utah's Natural Wonder.

An interesting question has been taken up of late by the hydrographic bureau of the United States geological survey in connection with the apparent drying up of Salt Lake in Utah, says a Washington dispatch. The level of the lake is gradually falling because of the evaporation and the diminishing supply of drainage water, due either to a change of climate or the denudation of the mountains by the lumbering industry.

The level of the water in the lake has fallen six feet in the last decade, and the rate of fall seems to be gradually increasing. The building by the Southern Pacific of the Lucia cut-off has suggested that the area of the lake might be reduced and the smaller body of water preserved at its former level for the next half century at least. That the lake can be saved from ultimate evaporation to a very small body of water seems to be impossible, unless some artificial means is resorted to.

The Lucia cut-off would return to desert one-third the area of the lake, or about 7,000 square miles. This part of the lake receives no important streams, and no question of injury to climate or to private interests would stand in the way of putting the plan into execution. If the water in the further one-third of the lake is turned into the part of the lake south and east of the cut-off, the added volume of water would raise the level of the smaller lake about five feet. This would assure the people of the region of the beneficial influence of the lake on the climate and continue its enjoyment as a watering place. The receding of the water has of late made it necessary to move large buildings used by visitors half a mile into the edge of the lake. The Lucia cut-off is practically a dam now constructed. The cost of completing it for the purpose of draining the north end of the lake would not be great.

FORGOT HIS WOODEN LEG.

Absentminded Customer Left It in a Kansas City (Mo.) Savings Bank.

Lots of funny things are left by the carelessly disposed in queer places, but about the oddest find of this sort recorded recently is that of Will Webb, cashier of the Missouri Savings bank, who was, until it was called for, the unwilling custodian of a man's wooden leg, which the owner had left on the bank's counter, says the Kansas City Journal.

"He came in the other day," said Mr. Webb, "and left an elongated package on the counter when he departed. When it was noticed and brought to me, it seemed heavy, so in the hope of ascertaining its ownership I opened it, only to find that it was a wooden leg. You can imagine my surprise."

"My first thought was, How could the man have walked away if he left his leg here? But then I remembered that it was wrapped up and concluded that he must have been wearing an old one. So I put it away until I could trace the ownership. Sure enough, next day in came a man who asked the teller if he had left his leg here the day before. The teller was startled, but managed to refer the man to me, and I soon put him in possession of his extremity."

"Lots of funny things are left here. Up to then the queerest were a clarinet, on which I couldn't play, and a woman's petticoat, which I couldn't wear. Both were called for later on."

A HARD WINTER SIGN.

Connecticut Farmer Sees His First Snowfall on Top of House.

"You'll find we are to have an unusually snug winter this time and that

before it has passed, there will be some 'rip snorting' cold days. They'll come in the latter part of January or early in February, and when they come you'll think that a large part of the Klondike has been handed out to you. Yes, you can laugh, but it doesn't feaze me. I have only butchered one hog, my own. That was enough." Sospeke Fred Larabee of Marion, Conn., says a Southampton dispatch to the Springfield Union.

Mr. Larabee is known hereabout as a Wiggins when it comes to prognosticating cold weather. He does it by a part of a hog's anatomy called the melt.

He says he doesn't know what part the melt plays in a hog's life, but "it's a corking good guide to a man who can read it and wants to know what the winter has in store for him and his wood pile."

ALL INVITED.

The Rev. P. S. Henson, formerly pastor of the First Baptist church of Chicago, later of the Hainson Place Baptist church of Brooklyn, and who has accepted a call to Fremont temple, Boston, recently lectured in Springfield, Mass., and one of the foremost pastors in the city was asked to announce the lecture from the pulpit. This is the way the pastor made the announcement, says the Boston Post: "The Rev. Dr. Henson will lecture on 'Fools' in the State Street Baptist church on Wednesday evening, and I trust a great many will attend."

CROUP.

The peculiar cough which indicates croup is usually well known to the mothers of croupy children. No time should be lost in the treatment of it, and for this purpose no medicine has received more universal approval than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. Do not waste valuable time in experimenting with untried remedies, no matter how highly they may be recommended, but give this medicine as directed, and all symptoms of croup will quickly disappear. For sale by all druggists.

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THE NEW ORLEANS LEVEES.

How the Crescent City is Protected From Flood.

One of the most remarkable and interesting chapters in the book of the world's accomplishments in civil engineering is the history of the levees that protect the city of New Orleans from encroachments of the Mississippi river. Ordinarily the level of the Mississippi at New Orleans is that of the Gulf of Mexico, something over 110 miles to the south, but at high water it rises about twenty feet. The water elevation of Lake Pontchartrain, behind the city, is normally also about that of the Gulf, with which it connects, but a high wind tide raises it something like three and a half feet. New Orleans' front levees are therefore built to withstand a wall of water twenty feet high, with three feet added as an extra precaution, while those guarding the city at its back are made to resist a three and a half foot tide, with three feet additional.

The river levees are of two classes, those in the outlying districts being simply mounds of earth, to protect the city from inundation and those within the city proper built not only as safeguards, but to give heavy drays and trucks easy access to the shipping, a solid and continuous embankment, paved, covered with railway tracks and skirted with wharfs. Right where one would naturally expect to find the highest levees, however, are the lowest, for in the business section height has been sacrificed to commercial necessity.

Even if the levees were to break no such disaster would result as is usually conjured up in the minds of those unfamiliar with the conditions, for under the worst conditions such a breach would soon reach a limit of width, and if nothing were done to relieve the difficulty the basin between the levee and Lake Pontchartrain is so large that the water would spread over the ground in a thin layer, rising gradually until it overflowed the top of the low banks of Pontchartrain. As a matter of fact, however, if a break should occur in the river levee the lake levees would be cut in numerous places, affording free channels for the escape of the water greatly exceeding in area the inlet through the breach.

DON'T WORRY.

This is easier said than done, yet it may be of some help to consider the matter. If the cause is something over which you have no control it is obvious that worrying will not help the matter in the least. On the other hand, if within your control you have only to act. When you have a cold and fear an attack of pneumonia, but a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and use it judiciously and all cause for worry as to the outcome will quickly disappear. There is no danger of pneumonia when it is used. For sale by all druggists.

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ROOSEVELT'S COLLEGE DAYS.

President's Career at Harvard Described by Jacob Riis.

INSTANCES OF HIS STRENUOSITY.

Boxing Bouts With Fellow Students, Says the Author, Proved Him a Vigorous Athlete—How He Beat a Man With a Reputation as a Fighter—Skipping the Rope One of His Exercises.

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"He became instantly a favorite with his class of one hundred and seventy odd," says Jacob Riis in the Outlook, writing about Theodore Roosevelt's career at Harvard.

"They laughed at his oddities, at his unexpressed enthusiasm, at his liking for Elizabethan poetry, voted him 'more or less crazy' with true Harvard conservatism, respected him highly for his scholarship on the same solid ground and fell in even with his notions for his own sake, as afterward some of them fell in behind him in the rush up San Juan hill, leaving lives of elegance and ease to starve with him in the trenches and do the chores of a trooper in camp under a tropical sun."

"It is remembered that Theodore Roosevelt set Harvard to skipping the rope, a sport it had abandoned years before, with knickerbockers, but it suited this student to keep up the exercise as a means of strengthening the leg muscles, and rope skipping became a pastime of the class of '80. In the gymnasium they wore red stockings with their practice suits. Roosevelt had happened upon a pair that were striped a patriotic red and white, and he wore them, at first to the amazement of the other students. He did not even know that they had attracted attention, but when some one told him he laughed and kept them on. It was what the legs could do in the stockings he was there to find out."

"Twenty years after I heard a policeman call him a dude when he walked up the steps of police headquarters, New York, with a silk sash about his waist, something no man had been known to wear in Mulberry street in the memory of the oldest there, and I saw the same officer looking after him down the street as long as he was in sight the day he went and turn back with a sign that made him my friend forever. There won't such another come through that door again in my time, that there won't. And there did not. The old man is retired long since."

"He joined the exclusive 'Pork' club and forthwith smashed all its hallowed traditions and made the Porcellian blood run cold by taking his fiancée to luncheon where no woman ever trod before. He simply saw no reason why a lady should not lunch at a gentleman's club, and when the shocked bachelors of the 'Pork' club searched the horizon for one to confront him with their discovery, that there was none. Accordingly the world still stood, and so did the college."

"He played polo, did athletic stunts with the fellows, and drove a two-wheeled gig, badly, having no end of good times in it. When he put on the boxing gloves he hailed the first comer with the more delight if he happened to be the champion of the class, who was twice his size and bent. The punching that ensued he took with the most hearty good will, and though his nose bled and his glasses fell off, he continued at it, undisturbed, until he was

grimly to cry quarter and pressed the fight home in a way that always reminds me of that redoubtable Danish sea fighter, Peter Tordenskjold, who kept up the fight, firing powder dinner plates and mugs from his one gun, when on his little smack there was left but a single man of the crew, and he wept. Tordenskjold killed the captain of the Swedish frigate with one of his mugs and got away. Roosevelt was bested in his boxing matches often enough; but, however superior, his opponents bore away always the impression that they had faced a fighter."

"But the battle was not always to the strong in those days. I have heard a story of how Roosevelt beat a man with a reputation as a fighter, but not, it would appear, with the instincts of a gentleman. I shall not vouch for it, for I have not asked him about it. But it is typical enough to be true except for the wonder how the fellow got in there. He took, so the story runs, a mean advantage and struck a blow that drew blood before Roosevelt had got his glove on right. The bystanders cried 'foul,' but Roosevelt smiled one of his grim smiles."

"I guess you made a mistake. We do not do that 'anywhere,' he said, offering the other his gloved hand in formal salutation as a sign to begin hostilities. The next moment his right shot out and took the man upon the point of the jaw, and the left followed suit. In two minutes he was down and out. Roosevelt was 'in form' that day. All the fighting blood in him had been aroused by the unfairness of the blow. I have seen him when his blood was up for good cause once or twice, and I rather think the story must be true. If I were to fight him and wanted to win I should shun a foul blow as I would the pestilence. I am sure I would not run half the risk from the latter."

Plan to Stop Auto Scorching.

The Farmers' Automobile league has been organized in Illinois to stop scorching, which has resulted in many serious accidents to property and persons.

FAITH AND FACT.

Faith is one thing and fact is another; it sometimes takes an amount of faith to produce one fact. Years of earnest work and faith have produced one fact about medicine that is deserving of mention here. If people who are troubled with general weakness through overwork, dissipation or exposure can get a remedy that will make rich red blood from the food they eat, their return to health is assured. Good blood is the life of the body as well as the nerves. Weak, sickly, pale people who suffer with indigestion, dyspepsia, sick headache, loss of strength and ambition, having dizzy spells and always tired, can be cured sound and well with Dr. Gunn's Blood and Nerve Tonic. Sold by druggists for 75c per box, or three boxes for \$2. This tonic acts in a common sense way, curing disease by giving strength to the system. Lee P. Allcott, Druggist.

A REGISTERED DRUGGIST SPEAKS.

Mr. Homer Alvey, registered pharmacist and manager of the West Side drug store, Lincoln, Ill., speaking of a medicine advertised on our columns, says: "I have sold Hart's Honey and Horshound for two years and regard it as a medicine of exceptional merit for the cure of Croup, Coughs, Colds and La Grippe. For children, Hart's Honey and Horshound is undoubtedly the safest and best, as it contains no opium or other narcotics and is pleasant to take. 25c, 50c and \$1.00 bottles sold by Lee P. Allcott."

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GIRL SLAVES IN ALASKA.

Principal of Territorial Schools Tells of Traffic.

Slavery still exists under the American flag, according to a communication made to the interior department at Washington by William A. Davis, principal of the United States public schools at Unalaska, Alaska, says the New York Times. He charges that in that territory little Aleutian girls are sold to well-to-do families as slaves. They are used as household drudges and are not educated nor permitted to associate with free children.

"While canvassing this village for scholars a few days since," says Mr. Davis, "I found a number of families holding Aleut children as slaves. Inquiry developed the fact that it has been the custom from time immemorial to make slaves of poor children, especially girls, and that the custom still prevails not only here, but in other portions of the country."

"A German, whose wife is a Russian creole, has a slave girl nine years old; a Russian creole, whose wife is a native, has a slave girl fourteen years old; a Scotchman, whose wife is a native, has two little slave girls about seven and eight years old respectively; a Russian priest has a slave girl twelve or thirteen years old, and others whose names I did not learn also have slaves. 'They are made to do all the drudgery and dirty work of the families, are not allowed to attend school or associate with free children, are poorly clothed and fed and are treated generally as slaves.'

"I am much distressed over the condition of these silent, uncomplaining little ones," says Mr. Davis, "so helpless and hungry looking, and I have been thinking that if the facts were known maybe article 13 of the amendments to the constitution of the United States could be made to reach them and save them from lives of shame and degradation."

ALL HAIL THE COW.

Eloquent Tributes to Great Foster Mother of the Human Race.

The cow was the subject of enthusiasm at the New York state dairymen's convention held in Ogdensburg. In his address of welcome Mayor Hall declared that butter and cheese are the controlling powers of the universe. All the speakers following Mr. Hall paid tribute to the dairy, and ex-Governor W. D. Hoard of Wisconsin wound up the day's programme with an apotheosis of the cow.

Said he: "To preach the gospel according to the cow is no small matter. Every man must be educated to understand so far as he can the great producer of the country, the cow, than which there is no deeper constructive mystery. The cow is the great foster mother of half the human race, and she should be approached reverently, lovingly, with a tender heart and a sympathetic mind."

He spoke eloquently on the maternity of the cow, and compared her to the human mother. He begged his auditors to have greater respect for the cow and to give her more careful treatment, placing on one plane manhood, womanhood, cowhood.

AID FROM ROCKEFELLER.

Oil King Paid Off Mortgage on Farm of Boyhood Playmate.

John D. Rockefeller has paid off the mortgage on the little Nebraska farm of Charles Austin, a boyhood friend, whom he has not seen for many years, says a St. Louis City (Mo.) dispatch.

Mr. Austin lives near Dakota City on a little place on which was a mortgage of several hundred dollars. The fact that when he lived he had been a millionaire, and that he is now a

hard straits. As a boy he was a playmate of Rockefeller, but as young men they drifted apart, and when Austin learned of the financial standing of his old friend he wrote him a letter of congratulation. Since then they have exchanged one or two letters annually.

Several years ago Mr. Rockefeller's friendship was the means of giving positions to Austin's two sons in the Standard Oil employ at Sioux City. This year Mr. Rockefeller, learning of Austin's misfortunes, paid the mortgage. Mr. Austin says he knew nothing of it till notified by the recorder's office that it had been paid.

Novel Jungle Fashion.

According to the Electrical World, telegraph wire belts have recently been added to the costume of fashionable east African belles. The telegraph authorities discovered the new fashion. They found great difficulty in maintaining lines through the forests. One of their society reporters, technically known as a lineman, while "covering" a native lawn fete in the jungle noted the new fashion and upon questioning some of the social leaders was informed that it was the custom for the young men to present their partners with these belts as trophies. Now the company has made the tribal chiefs responsible for the telegraph lines in their territory, and the young chiefs have to buy the belts at so much per pound.

Wilder's Dynamic Joke.

It recently happened that Marshall P. Wilder was in the company of a number of men who were discussing the wonders of invention and of discovery during the last hundred years. During a lull in the conversation Wilder ventured to intimate that to him dynamite seemed the most wonderful of all inventions.

"Why dynamite?" asked one of the men.

"Because there's nothing in the world that can hold a candle to it."

Whereupon the company chased Marshall from the room.—New York Times.

The prevention of consumption is entirely a question of commencing the proper treatment in time. Nothing is so well adapted to ward off fatal lung troubles as Foley's Honey and Tar. Sold by J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store.

A "DITOR'S RECOMMENDATION."

Mr. H. J. Keeler, publisher of the Press, Maiden Rock, Wis., writes, "Allow me to say that I have recently used a bottle of Hart's Honey and Horshound and found it a valuable remedy for a cold or cough. I have personally recommended it in several cases and hear a good word from all." When our readers need a reliable medicine for Colds, Coughs, Croup and Whooping Cough there is no other so satisfactory as Hart's Honey and Horshound. Large bottles 25c, 50c and \$1. Sold by Lee P. Allcott.

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If you but knew the splendid merit of Foley's Honey and Tar you would never be without it. A dose or two will prevent an attack of pneumonia or la grippe. It may save your life. Sold by J. A. Obermeyer, City drug store.

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Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for children teething. It soothes the child, cures the colic, allays all pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. 25 cents per bottle.

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and Children's Overcoats

Men's Sweaters in Colors at \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50

F. A. MOSELEY, V. P.

M. H. HAVENHILL, Sec'y-Treas.

INDICATIONS.

Washington, Jan. 7.—For Illinois: Fair Friday, Saturday increasing cloudiness; rain in extreme south portion; brisk west to northwest winds.

SURPRISE PARTY.

Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Vieira gave a very pleasant surprise party in honor of their nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Vieira, Thursday evening on the nineteenth anniversary of their wedding. An elegant dinner perfect in all its details was served and the genial hospitality of the host and hostess resulted in a most thoroughly enjoyable evening. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. F. Nordella, Mrs. Annie DeFreitas, Springfield; Mr. and Mrs. Roger F. Cressy and son Paul, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Vasconcellos, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Vasconcellos, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Vieira, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Fernandes and family, Mrs. E. N. Pires, Mrs. Susie DeSilva, Mrs. J. A. Fernandes, Mrs. C. Smith, Mrs. J. J. Smith, Mrs. J. H. Vasconcellos, J. DeFreitas and daughters, Mary, Frances Frank; Mrs. L. Wilson and daughter, Myrtle, and Mrs. Johanna Vieira.

RECEPTION TO ELDER MOORE

The friends of Rev. W. A. Moore and wife tendered them a reception Thursday evening at A. M. E. church parsonage. There was a large gathering of friends and the reception was a success in every way. The guests were received by Charles Jackson with a warm hospitality and made to feel welcome. Substantial refreshments were served by the ladies. Rev. Mr. Moore desires to extend heartfelt thanks for the many kindnesses shown himself and wife.

FIXES DATE.

Manager Roos, of the opera house, returned to the city yesterday after a short visit in Pekin, and stated last night that matters would be in such shape at the Grand that the theatre would reopen on Jan. 14. Brooks' band has a date here then.

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TRADES ASSEMBLY

Will Purchase Property on
South Mauvaisterre Street
for Permanent Quarters.

A large mass meeting of all the labor unions in the city of Jacksonville was held Thursday night at Trades Assembly hall to discuss the purchase of a new home. The meeting was presided over by Henry Reeves, president of the Trades and Labor assembly. It was unanimously decided to purchase the two story brick building owned by Felix Farrell, located on S. Mauvaisterre street and which was formerly occupied by N. A. Buckingham.

The trustees of the Trades and Labor assembly, Harry Norris, Henry Reeves and George J. Chambers, were instructed to purchase the property and put it in shape for occupancy. For the time being all the unions will use the Conservatory hall, which the Musicians' union has so kindly offered.

The labor unions of Jacksonville were never in better condition than at present and are now making arrangements for one of the greatest Labor day celebrations ever held in central Illinois.

Last night the fight of the Laundry Workers' union against the Chinese laundries of the city was endorsed. A committee was appointed to assist in the work of canvassing business men and other citizens requesting them to withhold their patronage from all Chinese laundries.

ATTENTION, MASONS.

Special communication of Harmony lodge No. 3, A. F. & A. Masons, this evening at 7:30 o'clock for work in F. C. degree. All visiting brethren invited.

T. P. Carter, W. M.
C. L. Hayden, Sec.

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THE DEATH RECORD.

O'NEAL.

Mrs. Mattie Casteen O'Neal died early Thursday morning at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Casteen, on Greenwood avenue. She was a woman of exceptional sweetness of spirit and disposition and was devoted to her family and home. The deceased was a graduate of the Woman's college and many here remember her as a student. She was born in Versailles and was a member of the Methodist church there. Her husband and two children survive her, as do two brothers and three sisters.

A short service will be held at the house Saturday and later the remains will be taken to St. Louis.

FUNERALS.

MORRIS.

The funeral of Mrs. William Morris was conducted from the Church of Our Savior Thursday morning at 10 o'clock. There was a large number of friends and relatives present and the services were of a deeply impressive character. Fr. O'Flaherty was in charge and said the solemn high mass. The floral tokens were many and beautiful.

Interment was in Calvary cemetery and the bearers were: Patrick Cosgriff, Mike McGinnis, Dan Moy, Ed Cosgriff, James Donovan and Thomas O'Connell.

G. A. R. AT SEVEN TO NIGHT.
The meeting of Matt Starr Post, G. A. R., will be at 7 to night.

COMMITTEES NAMED.

Mayor Davis has appointed the following aldermen to serve on the committee which will inspect the various buildings, with a view to their safety: Alds. Hildreth, Ticknor, Moore, Johnson and Kennedy.

POLICE NEWS.

William Crews, keeper, and three inmates were arrested by the night police force Thursday, charged with gaming.

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ANNUAL REPORT

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the tax to be levied for the payment of the interest and any principal that may be due each year. Bonds issued under the other law are not registered and the city each year is obliged to levy a tax for the interest, and in case any future city council neglects to levy this tax, the city might be placed in the position of repudiating its just debts.

The Railroad and Improvement Aid Act provides that bonds shall be issued in three ways or rather three classes, viz: The first class to consist of bonds of which only the interest is payable annually.

The second class to consist of those of which the interest and five per cent of the principal are to be paid annually.

The third class to consist of a graduated series, the first grade, made payable, principal and interest at the end of one year from the date of issue; the second, at the end of two years, and thus to the end of the series, the class to be issued being at the option of the legal voters expressed as provided in this law.

This law reads: That no new bonds, or other evidence of indebtedness, shall be issued under this act, unless the same shall be first authorized as hereinafter provided, by a vote of a majority of the legal voters of such county, city, town, township, school district or other municipal corporation voting at some general election or special election held for that purpose.

I would recommend that these bonds be refunded under the act that city that the council pass an ordinance as soon as practicable, calling an election on the third Tuesday of April, 1901, to provide for the refunding of these bonds.

The date of this election will be the regular election for members of the board of education in the Third and Fourth wards, and if it is thought necessary to call an election for park purposes it can be held on the same date.

The class in which they can be issued can be designated by the city council and can be stipulated in the ordinance.

I have recently conferred with the state treasurer with regard to the balance in the state treasury to the credit of the Jacksonville sinking fund, levied several years ago, and I find that there is a balance to our credit there of \$3,000.00. This money was raised by taxation as a sinking fund for bond redemption and cannot be used for any other purpose so long as the city has outstanding indebtedness, but it can be applied on these bonds, when the time comes and thereby reduce this debt to \$30,000.

IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

The following improvement bonds are outstanding Dec. 31, 1900:

Sonic Square paving.....	\$ 2,000.00
Sonic Square paving.....	2,100.00
Sandusky St. paving.....	800.00
North Church St. paving.....	1,000.00
Caldwell St. paving.....	1,500.00
South Hardin Ave. sewer.....	1,000.00
South East St. sewer.....	2,500.00
South Hardin Ave. paving.....	10,500.00
South East St. paving.....	34,500.00
West State St. paving.....	4,800.00
North Pine St. paving.....	6,500.00
Kosciusko St. sewer.....	500.00
Total.....	\$74,100.00

These bonds were issued under the law providing for local improvements and some of them become due each year until the last series is matured. The installment paid by the property owners each year provides for the payment of interest and principal. There will be bonds to the amount of \$12,000.00 to mature during the year 1901 on these public improvements.

The law provides that if there is a surplus to the credit of any of these improvements at the beginning of the year, the treasurer shall call in certain bonds by publishing a notice of his intention so to do and the said bonds called in by the 10th day of February. I understand that the treasurer intends to call in some of the above mentioned bonds this year.

The ordinances of the city provide that the city clerk in his annual report shall classify the different branches of expenditures, giving as nearly as may be the amount needed for each. I will give below the amounts that, in my judgment, would be expended for the council to appropriate for the coming year in the different departments. These are based upon previous expenditures and the present needs and in many instances I have consulted with heads of departments and ascertained what would be necessary for the coming year.

The city council is not obliged to adopt my suggestions in every particular and it lies with you gentlemen to add to or diminish any appropriation, or cut it out altogether if you see fit. I am giving you the amounts that would be necessary in my judgment to appropriate for the different funds.

Before giving a list of the appropriations I desire to call your attention to a few of the needs of the city.

The first is the need of a trunk sewer, as I have mentioned in two previous annual reports. Last year the council appropriated \$20,000 for a trunk sewer and nothing was done toward it. Mr. Brown, our engineer, is now preparing estimates of the work and in a short time will be able to give the council an intelligent idea of the cost. I would recommend that the same amount be appropriated this year.

Two years ago the council appropriated an amount to lay a conduit from Morgan lake to the pumping station and this was not used. A great deal of water goes to waste running through the sluiceway and the need of this improvement is apparent.

Mr. Brown has made an estimate on the cost of this pipe for various sizes—for an eight-inch pipe, discharging 48 cubic feet per minute, \$5,500; for a ten-inch pipe, discharging 84 cubic feet per minute, \$7,800; for a twelve-inch pipe, discharging 144 cubic feet per minute, \$9,500. The latter is nearly the capacity of our present pump and would be the most economical.

We are now no nearer a solution of the water problem than we were a year ago, and I think the council should make an appropriation of at least \$10,000 toward bettering our water system, or at least make a start in that direction.

The city building is badly in need of repairs and before long something will have to be done in that direction. The east wall is dangerous at the present time and I invite the attention of the council to this matter.

Our ordinances with regard to tearing up the paved streets are not as strict as they should be, and in many instances when pavements are put back after an excavation is made for sewer, water or gas pipes they are not put in proper shape. We cannot prevent corporations or private citizens from taking up pavements when it is necessary to do so, but we should require them to lay the pavements back in concrete or, at least, in a better shape. This is done in a great many cities and in my judgment should be done in Jacksonville.

I have mentioned in two previous annual reports the need of revising our ordinances and I think it will be done the coming year, as our ordinances are in bad shape.

The mayor has already asked you to consider an appropriation for a new engine. It is almost a necessity and should be purchased as soon as practicable.

The following appropriations are recommended for the coming year:

Street paving repair.....	600.00
Sidewalk.....	2,000.00
Street cleaning.....	2,500.00
Croaking cleaning.....	1,000.00
Fire department.....	2,000.00
Fire horse exchange.....	200.00
Fire engine.....	6,000.00
Water supply.....	8,000.00
Water meter.....	100.00
Water works improvement.....	10,000.00
Morgan park improvement.....	500.00
Morgan lake conduit.....	500.00
City building repair.....	500.00
City building fuel.....	500.00
Light maintenance.....	10,000.00
Light improvement.....	2,000.00
Police department.....	1,800.00
Printing.....	600.00
Law department.....	50.00
Trunk sewer.....	20,000.00
Contingent.....	5,000.00
Police department.....	23,000.00
Sanitary.....	100.00
Sewer.....	1,000.00
Feed lot.....	150.00
Interest.....	1,250.00
Special assessment.....	200.00
Tax sale certificate.....	50.00
Back indebtedness.....	3,000.00
East State street retopping.....	3,210.00
West Court street retopping.....	340.00
Dunbar park.....	500.00
Central park.....	500.00
Ordinance revision.....	700.00
Election.....	600.00
Pest house.....	1,000.00
Asphalt paving.....	1,200.00
Volcott street sewer.....	23.30
Grove street paving.....	2,000.00
Kosciusko street sewer.....	57.47

Total.....\$132,480.67
Special fund appropriations:
Sinking fund.....\$ 6,000.00
Public library.....1,524.60
Bond interest.....5,500.00
Fire department special.....700.00

Total.....\$17,134.60

The following is the condition of the funds of Diamond Grove cemetery, according to my books:
Jan. 1, 1901, balance on hand.....\$ 523.13
Receipts for 1901.....3,026.72
Disbursements for 1901.....\$2,738.49
Balance.....711.36

Total.....\$3,549.85

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Jan. 1, 1901, balance on hand.....\$ 711.36

In addition to the above, there was paid out of the general fund for Diamond Grove cemetery for which an appropriation was made the sum of \$729.02, which was for repairs and permanent improvements.

The following is the condition of the funds of Jacksonville cemetery, according to my books:

Jan. 1, 1901, balance on hand.....\$ 176.50

Receipts for 1901.....1,520.97

Disbursements for 1901.....114.98

Overdraft.....\$1,509.87

Total.....\$1,509.87

Jan. 1, 1901, overdraft.....\$ 144.50

In addition to the above, there was paid out of the general fund for Jacksonville cemetery for which an appropriation was made the sum of \$500, which was used for permanent improvements.

In summing up the year's work the city is to be congratulated in many ways. We are better off financially than we were a year ago. The receipts were larger and the expenditures have been kept down as near the minimum as the exigencies of the case would allow. Our back indebtedness appropriation is low in comparison with other years, being only \$3,000 at the present time, as compared with \$10,000 last year and \$5,000 the year before. Our outstanding anticipation warrants Jan. 1, 1901, are only \$18,520.82 as compared with \$20,472.22 the same date last year and \$26,553 the year before. All of which is respectfully submitted.

SAMUEL B. STEWART, City Clerk.

The Colored Woman's club will meet this evening at 8 o'clock at the office of Dr. Kennibrew, and all members are urged to be present.

Mrs. Kennibrew, Pres.

Mrs. Moxley, Sec.

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Our large holiday business has left us with large lines of high grade Men's and Boy's Clothing and Furnishings.

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